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UNIFORM PROMOTION SYSTEM

- 1. Many of the personnel policies of the Agency have been and are being carefully reexamined. One of the conclusions is that employees and the Agency will benefit from the adoption of a more uniform promotion system throughout the Agency. The adoption of such a system will increase employee awareness of promotion opportunities and will ensure more promotion headroom by implementing existing Agency regulations concerning marginal performers. It is recognized that each Career Service has unique characteristics and problems which require consideration. Modifications of the Agency's promotion system will allow recognition of that uniqueness by the use of more expanded statements of promotion criteria for each Career Service.
- 2. The establishment of uniform promotion schedules by grade will be keyed to the scheduling of fitness reports followed by panel evaluations and by recommendations for promotions. The intention is to have the whole system ready for implementation beginning 1 October 1978. Meanwhile, actions are already being taken to incorporate each new feature as it is developed into the Agency's promotion system. These will include the following:
 - a. A minimum annual target for promotion of qualified people for each grade will be established by appropriate Career Services or Sub-Groups and published. This action will be completed in June.
 - b. Promotion rates will be sustained for the most part through normal attrition, but additionally it will be necessary to adhere more strictly to the current separation regulation subsequent to identifying the bottom three percent of employees competitively ranked each year. As a protection to the employees identified in this process, the Career Service will establish independent panels to review each case on its merit. The panels will assess the employee's value and potential. Their findings will be furnished to the Head of the Career Service.

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c. The common criteria for promotion in all Career Services are set forth in Specific Career Service criteria will be published and made available to further the employee's understanding of how selection for promotion is achieved and how to become qualified for promotion.

- d. All Career Services will use an evaluation panel system to determine promotion eligibility. Rankings and recommendations for promotion made by an evaluation panel can only be changed by the Director.
- e. A uniform promotion schedule for all Career Services (i.e., all GS-09's will be promoted in the same month, etc.) will be established and published. The Office of Personnel will work with the Heads of the Career Services in establishing a schedule for each grade. Promotion lists will be published.

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DEVELOPMENT OF THE UNIFORM PROMOTION SYSTEM

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1. This notice highlights some of the more significant features
of the Uniform Promotion System announced in Also provided i
specific information on revised Fitness Report schedules and the dates
established for promotion of all grades. Change has been directed
toward achievement of a primary management goalincreased employee
awareness of promotional opportunities. The new system includes the
following major innovations:

- . Agency-wide uniform promotion schedules by grades.
- b. A minimum annual target for promotion of qualified employees for each grade, established by appropriate Career Services or Subgroups and published for the information of all employees.
- c. Specific Career Service criteria for promotion, published by the Career Service or Career Service Subgroup.
- d. An evaluation panel system to be used by all Career Services in determination of eligibility for promotion. Panel rankings and recommendations can be changed only by the Director.
 - e. Certificates of Promotion.
- 2. On 12 July 1978 the Deputy Director of Central Intelligence approved a revised Fitness Report schedule and a promotion schedule keyed to the Fitness Report dates. The promotion exercises may be annual or semiannual at the option of the Career Services or Career Service Subgroups.
- 3. There will be no established schedule for promotion to grades GS-06 and below. Employees in these grades will be promoted on the basis of merit, within Career Service criteria for promotion, panel evaluations, headroom, and the availability of properly graded positions.
- 4. The revised Fitness Report schedules will be operative for all Career Services, except the D Career Service, as of 1 October 1978. The D Service will establish its own Fitness Report schedule to meet the Agency promotion dates. Where the semiannual promotion option is elected, the first exercise in FY 1979 may be effective with either date noted on the schedule. To avoid an undue period without an evaluation of performance for GS-12 and 13 employees, there will be a one-time out-of-phase evaluation for the period ending 31 December 1978.

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UNIFORM PROMOTION SCHEDULE

Current Grade	New Fitness Report Period End Date	PROMOTION TO NE Effective First Pay I Annual Option Ser	
GS-15 and above	31 March	July	January
GS-14	30 April	September	March
GS-13	30 June	November	May
GS-12	31 July	December	June
GS-11	31 August	January	July
GS-10	30 September	February	August
GS-09	30 September	February	August
GS-08	31 December	May	November
GS-07	31 December	May	November
GS-06	31 January	June	December
GS-05 and below	31 March	UNSCHEDUL	E D

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